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September 8, 1936.

Dear Jim:-

It is one of the fine things about public life that every once in a while the usual rules of the political game are not followed! Your announcement is not only fine in itself but it is especially so because it came without solicitation or suggestion on my part or on that of any member of the Democratic organization.

Frankly, I was just as much taken by surprise as, I imagine, Brother Landon was. I want you to know that I appreciate not alone what you have said and done but also your manner of doing it -- for you have shown a very deep courage based on conviction and may lose your Primary as a result.

Perhaps you have not seen this typical vile editorial in the Chicago Tribune which came to me the other day. I do not give a continental under which party label you or I may happen to enroll ourselves but I do know that very fundamentally you and I have the same ethical standards.

Always sincerely,

Honorable James Couzens,
Detroit,
Michigan.